## STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL BOARD DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

Case No. 2014-31

PIERRE L. ALCUTT 115 Pico Place Bay Point, CA 94565 Field Representative License No. FR 45045

Respondent.

### DECISION AND ORDER

The attached Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby adopted by the Structural Pest Control Board, Department of Consumer Affairs, as its Decision in this matter.

This Decision shall become effective on

August 22; 2014

It is so ORDERED

July 23, 2014

FØR THE STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL BOARD

DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS

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12	PIERRE L. ALCUTT	STIPULATED SETTLEMENT AND	
13	115 Pico Place   Bay Point, CA 94565	DISCIPLINARY ORDER	
14	Field Representative License No. FR 45045		
15	Respondent.		
16	IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AG	REED by and between the parties to the above-	
17	entitled proceedings that the following matters a		
18	PAF	ETIES	
19	Susan Saylor ("Complainant") is the	Executive Officer of the Structural Pest Control	
20	Board. She brought this action solely in her official capacity and is represented in this matter by		
21	Kamala D. Harris, Attorney General of the State	of California, by Kim M. Settles, Deputy	
.22	Attorney General		
23	2. Respondent Pierre L. Alcutt ("Respo	ondent") is representing himself in this proceeding	
24	and has chosen not to exercise his right to be rep	presented by counsel.	
25	3. On or about December 22, 2009, the Structural Pest Control Board issued Field		
26	Representative License No. FR 45045 to Pierre L. Alcutt (Respondent). The Field Representativ		
27	License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No		
28	2014-31 and will expire on June 30, 2015, unles		

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#### JURISDICTION

- 4. Accusation No. 2014-31 was filed before the Structural Pest Control Board (Board), Department of Consumer Affairs, and is currently pending against Respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent on January 13, 2014. Respondent timely filed his Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation.
- 5. A copy of Accusation No. 2014-31 is attached as exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

### **ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS**

- 6. Respondent has carefully read, and understands the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 2014-31. Respondent has also carefully read, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order.
- 7. Respondent is fully aware of his legal rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to be represented by counsel at his own expense; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against him; the right to present evidence and to testify on his own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.
- 8. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

## **CULPABILITY**

- 9. Respondent admits the truth of each and every charge and allegation in Accusation No. 2014-31.
- 10. Respondent agrees that his Field Representative License is subject to discipline and he agrees to be bound by the Board's probationary terms as set forth in the Disciplinary Order below.

## CONTINGENCY

11. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Structural Pest Control Board.

Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Structural Pest Control Board may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and settlement, without notice to or participation by Respondent. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that he may not withdraw his agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Board considers and acts upon it. If the Board fails to adopt this stipulation as its Decision and Order, the Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.

- 12. The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile copies of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, including Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.
- 13. This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is intended by the parties to be an integrated writing representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their agreement. It supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, discussions, negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order may not be altered, amended, modified, supplemented, or otherwise changed except by a writing executed by an authorized representative of each of the parties.
- 14. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that the Board may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following Disciplinary Order:

## **DISCIPLINARY ORDER**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Field Representative License No. FR 45045 issued to Respondent Pierre L. Alcutt (Respondent) is revoked. However, the revocation is stayed and Respondent's license is placed on probation for three (3) years on the following terms and conditions.

1. Obey All Laws. Respondent shall obey all Federal, State, and Local laws along with all laws and rules relating to the practice of structural pest control.

- 2. Quarterly Reports. Respondent shall file quarterly reports with the Board during the period of probation.
- 3. Tolling of Probation. Should Respondent leave California to reside outside this state, Respondent must notify the Board in writing of the dates of departure and return. Periods of residency or practice outside the state shall not apply to reduction of the probationary period.
- 4. **Notice to Employers.** Respondent shall notify all present and prospective employers of the decision in case no. 2014-31 and the terms, conditions and restriction imposed on Respondent by said decision.

Within 30 days of the effective date of this decision, and within 15 days of Respondent undertaking new employment, Respondent shall cause his/her employer to report to the Board in writing acknowledging the employer has read the decision in case no. 2013-13.

- 5. **Notice to Employees.** Respondent shall, upon or before the effective date of this decision, post or circulate a notice to all employees involved in structural pest control operations which accurately recite the terms and conditions of probation. Respondent shall be responsible for said notice being immediately available to said employees. "Employees" as used in this provision includes all full-time, part-time, temporary and relief employees and independent contractors employed or hired at any time during probation.
- 6. **Completion of Probation.** Upon successful completion of probation, Respondent's license/certificate will be fully restored.
- 7. Violation of Probation. Should Respondent violate probation in any respect, the Board, after giving Respondent notice and an opportunity to be heard, may revoke probation and carry out the disciplinary order which was stayed. If a petition to revoke probation is filed against Respondent during probation, the Board shall have continuing jurisdiction until the matter is final, and the period of probation shall be extended until the matter is final.
- 8. Prohibited from Serving as Officer, Director, Associate, Partner or Qualifying Manager. Respondent is prohibited from serving as an officer, director, associate, partner, qualifying manager or branch office manager of any registered company during the period that discipline is imposed on Field Representative License No. FR 45045.

- 9. Cost Recovery. Respondent shall pay to the Board costs associated with its investigation and enforcement pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3 in the amount of \$1,595.00. Respondent shall be permitted to pay these costs in a payment plan approved by the Board. The costs shall be paid in full no later than six (6) months prior to the end of probation.
- 10. License Renewal. All the continuing education certificates submitted by Respondent as part of mitigating evidence were for courses he completed on December 6, 2012. For this reason, these continuing education certificates cannot be used towards renewal of his license when he renews in June of 2015.

If respondent applies for an additional license while on probation, the license will be issued and immediately placed on probation under the same terms and conditions as Field Representative License No. FR 45045.

## **ACCEPTANCE**

I have carefully read the Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order. I understand the stipulation and the effect it will have on my Field Representative License. I enter into this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the Decision and Order of the Structural Pest Control Board.

DATED:	04/11/14	Piène L. Olvuts	
-		PIERRE L. ALCUTT	

Respondent

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# The foregoing Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby respectfully submitted for consideration by the Structural Pest Control Board. Dated: Respectfully submitted, KAMALA D. HARRIS Attorney General of California DIANN SOKOLOFF Supervising Deputy Attorney General m. M. Settles KIM M. SETTLES Deputy Attorney General Attorneys for Complainant SF2013902017 90385567.doc